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## Pierce County Library Board sees new Sumner Library progress and other topics

**PIERCE COUNTY, Washington** – At the Pierce County Library System's <u>Board of Trustees</u>' **Wednesday, Aug. 14, 3:30 p.m.,** regular meeting, the Board will see progress for the new Sumner Pierce County Library, hear about the interim Lakewood Pierce County Library, review policies, and address additional business.

The meeting will be held in person at the Pierce County Library Administrative Center at 3005 112th St. E., Tacoma. Optional virtual attendance is available via <a href="mailto:mypcls.org/about-us/board-of-trustees/">mypcls.org/about-us/board-of-trustees/</a>.

Architects with Johnston Architects will share preliminary designs for the new Sumner Library. In the August 2023 Primary Election, voters approved a bond to build a new library in Sumner. The multigenerational center for learning, enjoyment and community, will be a destination for children and families to develop a love of reading with literacy-rich activities. In the coming months, the Library System plans to continue working with the architects on the overall design plans and engage the community to learn their ideas for spaces in the new building.

At the meeting, Library administrators will share progress to construct the interim Lakewood Library. In July, workers paved the parking lot, finished putting in the floors and ceiling, and installed windows, furniture and shelves. In August, staff will begin installing computer and technology equipment as well as stocking the library with books and materials.

Also at the meeting, the Board will continue reviewing updates to policies. At the August meeting, the Board will discuss updates to the Library's Public Computer, Wi-Fi, and Internet Use Policy and Fiscal Management Policy.

For more information: https://mypcls.org/about-us/board-of-trustees/.

## **About Pierce County Library System**

The nationally acclaimed <u>Pierce County Library System</u> serves 671,000 people throughout Pierce County with 19 libraries and online services. The system is the fourth largest in the state and property taxes are the main funding source. People may choose from more than one million books, e-books, audiobooks, movies and other materials. Pierce County Library is committed to directing services in three primary areas: learning, enjoyment and community connection. Its services and programs spark success for Pierce County residents. People make approximately one million visits to Pierce County Libraries each year. The Library provides services and programs directly to people in adult care facilities, people who are homebound, and to children in childcare centers and schools. <u>Pierce County Libraries are located</u> at Anderson Island, Bonney Lake, Buckley, DuPont, Eatonville, Fife, Gig Harbor, Graham, Key Center, Lakewood, Milton/Edgewood, Orting, Parkland/Spanaway, South Hill, Steilacoom, Summit, Sumner, Tillicum and University Place. Pierce County Library is an independent municipal corporation and operates as a junior taxing district.

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